

Our Mission

- Enabling our church family to know and live the Christian way of life as revealed in Christ
- Serving the community and the world so that all may experience our love and the love of God

**Traditional Worship Service
December 20, 2009
8:30 A.M.**

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome, Announcements and Sharing

Donald Fogelsanger

Prelude *Beautiful Star of Bethlehem*

Advent Lighting The Diller Family

Leader 1 Jesus said, "I am the light of the world...whoever follows me will have the light of life and will never walk in darkness."

Lighting the Fourth Candle

Leader 2 What does the fourth candle symbolize?

People (Unison)
The fourth candle reminds us of the hope we find in following Christ.

Scripture Reading **Luke 1:26-38a**

Children's Story *We Have Seen His Star* Pastor Harold

***Prayer of Invocation** Donald Fogelsanger

***Hymn** *The Birthday of a King* #191

***Hymn** *Go, Tell It on the Mountain* #182

***Hymn** *Gentle Mary Laid Her Child* #212

Offertory Prayer Donald Fogelsanger

Offering (Please print your name on the attendance register. If you are a guest, please include your address and/or telephone number.)

Offertory *Lo How A Rose E'er Blooming*

***Doxology** #668

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Harold

Special Music *Advent Peace Canon* Mixed Ensemble
Carol Van Horn – Piano & Natalie Strickler - Violin

God's Word **Luke 2:1-20**
Donald Fogelsanger

Message *A Message of Hope* Pastor Harold

***Hymn** *Beautiful Star of Bethlehem* Bulletin Insert
Stanza 1– Mixed Ensemble
Stanza 2 – Solo by Charles Fox
Stanza 3 - Congregation

***Benediction** Pastor Harold

***Postlude**

***All who are able may stand.**
Audio enhancement for the hearing impaired is available.
Please check with the head usher.

Greeters Brian and Lori Stoner
Michael and Renee Preso

Ushers William and Melissa Green
Jeff and Debra Tritle

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:
Worship Leadership Donald Fogelsanger
Advent Lighting The Diller Family
Music Leadership Jean Wengert
Organist Sandy Sleichter

Schedule of Events and Activities

Today, December 20
Childcare is available for infants thru age 3 in the Crib Room during the 8:30 a.m. Traditional Service and the 10:45 a.m. Blended Service.

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**Blended Worship Service
(in Brethren Life Center)
December 20, 2009
10:45 A.M.**

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

(Childcare is available for infants thru age 3 in the Crib Room)

Opening Song/Welcome

Announcements/Prayer Information about the church at the Chambersburg Church of the Brethren.

Offering Please sign the attendance register.

Worship Music Please feel free to maintain a posture conducive to worship: stand, sing, kneel, clap, raise hands, or simply remain seated.

Lighting of the Candle Chuck Weaver
Scripture Reading **Luke 1:26-38a**

Children's Story *We Have Seen His Star* Nicholas Wingert

Prayer We hope that you'll take advantage of this opportunity to receive prayer for any need.

God's Word **Luke 2:1-20**

Message *A Message of Hope* Pastor Harold

Ending Song

Prayer of Parting

****Please, please, please sign the attendance register.**

Thank you to all who serve us in worship today:
Music Leaders Kevin and Darla Tharp
Greeters/Ushers Brett and Rhonda Rotz Family

Thursday, December 24

Office Closed – Merry Christmas!

6:45 p.m. – Live Nativity – Youth on front lawn

7:15 p.m. – Organ Recital in Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Service in Sanctuary

Friday, December 25

Office Closed – Merry Christmas!

Please take Note

December 24, 2009 – Christmas Eve Service

6:45 p.m. – 7:15 P.M. –Live Nativity – Front Lawn

7:15 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. –Organ Recital - Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. – Christmas Eve Service – Sanctuary

Please come and invite others.

No Chancel Choir Rehearsal on Wednesday, December 23, 2009.

Please have all bulletin announcements to the church office by noon on Tuesday, December 22, 2009 due to the Christmas holiday.

The Executive Committee, at its December 7, 2009 meeting, hired Chuck Weaver as Christian Education Director to replace Diane Berger who is retiring. Chuck will begin his responsibilities on Monday, December 14, 2009 and work with Diane Berger until he is trained in the position.

Wishing you a “Merry Christmas” – The church staff would like to invite members of the congregation to drop by the office during regular hours on December 21-23. Allow us to offer our hospitality and wishes for a blessed Christmas as you help yourself to cookies and punch.

The Church Board Meeting & Retreat will be held on Saturday, January 09, 2010 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Brethren Life Center.

The bicycles in the Brethren Life Center Lobby are available for individuals who can make good use of them. See one of the pastors if interested in a bicycle.

The Children’s Choir will be singing at the Christmas Eve Service to be held at 7:30 p.m.

Contributions for 2009 Giving – Special gift contributions need to be in the Church Office by noon on Tuesday, December 29th. Any giving received January 1st or later will be credited to 2010 giving.

Offering Envelopes – Offering envelopes will be available on Sunday, December 20, 2009. If you do not presently have offering envelopes and would like offering envelopes, contact the church office and you will be issued envelopes for 2010.

Fundraiser for Make-A-Wish Foundation – Help reach a goal of \$1,000.00 for a terminally ill local child by making a donation or by purchasing special Avon products for this worthy cause. To place an order or make a donation, contact Darlene Kelso. Deadline to order is December 30th. Checks should be made payable to Darlene Kelso with Make-A-Wish on the memo line.

Take Note - Puddin and Pancake Breakfast - December 31, 2009 to be held in the Brethren Life Center.

PORK & SAUERKRAUT DINNER - Seniors—if you are age 55 or older, you are invited to Camp Joy El to enjoy the annual Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner on Thursday, December 31st beginning at 12:00 noon. You do not need to be a participant in Joy El programs to attend. Dinner includes pork and sauerkraut, hot dogs, mashed potatoes, corn and more. The meal is FREE. Simply bring a dessert to share with friends. The after-dinner entertainment will be The Joy Chorale. To make your reservation, call Joy El Ministries at 717-369-4539.

Needed: Non-perishable food items and empty egg cartons for the Food Pantry. Please place items in the barrels located in the narthex or BLC Lobby.

2010 Flower Charts - New Flower Charts are posted in the narthex for altar flowers in the sanctuary, and on the bulletin board outside the Brethren Life Center for altar flowers for the blended service. Altar arrangements are \$30.00.

In case of inclement weather on worship times, please listen to WCRH 90.5 FM radio; check the church’s website www.chambcob.org or call a Deacon. No phone calls will be made by Deacons.

Cumberland Valley Christian Choir Spring Cantata – Persons interested in singing in this choir should sign the sheet located in the Narthex. Rehearsals will be held on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at Chambersburg Mennonite Church starting January 21st. The Cantata will be performed on April 11, 17, 18 and 25, 2010 at various locations. Cost of materials will be \$25 per person. Deadline for sign up is December 27.

Future Events – Our Church

Wednesday, January 6, 2010 – Midweek Connection. Meal at 5:30 p.m. with Bible Studies for all ages at 6:30 p.m.